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The Honorable Tom Cole, Chairman Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Mike Quigley,
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation,
Housing and Urban Development, and
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member Quigley,

As you begin your critical work on the Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, I request that you include \$2,000,000 for the Santa Clara County Housing Authority's Revitalization of the Buena Vista Mobile Home Park Community project. This request for Community Project Funding is associated with the Department of Housing and Urban Development Economic Development Initiatives account.

The requested funding will allow the Housing Authority to convert Buena Vista Mobile Home Park, an affordable community in Palo Alto of approximately 275 residents, 62 percent of whom are very low income, into a safe and environmentally conscious all-electric community. The project includes site preparation; demolition of the current gas and aged electric system; design and engineering costs; and the cost of new electrical infrastructure such as conduit, solar panels, electrical lines, and new electrical boxes. Once complete, the new infrastructure will not only preserve and revitalize the homes of 75 current households, but will support the development of 120 quality, affordable housing units, serving over 400 low-income residents.

As an indication of community support, I've enclosed five letters of support from the following local elected officials and community leaders:

- Supervisor Joe Simitian, County of Santa Clara
- · Senator Josh Becker, California State Senate
- Mayor Lydia Kou, City of Palo Alto
- Hilary Glann, Co-Chair, 350 Silicon Valley
- Stephen Levy, Director, Center for Continuing Study of the California Economy

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If enacted, this request would improve safety and promote expansion of a vital affordable community, and it's why I wholeheartedly support this Community Project Funding request and ask that you do so as well.

Most gratefully,

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Enclosures